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June 6, 2013

The Honorable Eric H. Holder, Jr. Attorney General U.S. Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, D.C. 20530

Dear Attorney General Holder:

We are in receipt of your June 5<sup>th</sup> letter endorsing the Department's previous letter regarding the veracity of your testimony before the Committee. We are disappointed that your response still fails to fully and adequately answer our questions. Neither the letter from Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General Peter Kadzik, nor your follow-up letter, constitutes a satisfactory on-the-record response by you to the Committee.

You testified on May 15<sup>th</sup> that "with regard to potential prosecution of the press for the disclosure of material, that is not something that I have ever been involved, heard of, or would think would be a wise policy." This statement left members of the Committee and the American people with the clear understanding that the Department had never taken the unprecedented step of characterizing a member of the media as a criminal co-conspirator in a sworn court document.

We do not believe our request – that you provide the Committee with an on-the-record explanation of your on-the-record testimony – is extraordinary. We believe the Committee and the American people deserve to hear from you directly. It is with this goal in mind that we invite you to appear before the Committee on June 18, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. to respond to our inquiry. If this date and time presents a conflict for you, please provide us with an alternative date between June 18 and June 28, 2013, for your appearance.

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Please reply by COB, Friday, June 14, 2013, to schedule your appearance. We look forward to your reply.

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Sincerely, MES SENSENBRENNER, Jr. Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, Homeland Security, and Investigations Member House Committee on the Judiciary House Committee on the Judiciary House Committee on the Judiciary Amuse Coble Member House Committee on the Judiciary Member House Committee on the Judiciary Member

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